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## A Letter from OATA Chair of Research and Grants Subcommittee

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## **A Letter from your OATA Research and Grants Chair**

Thank you for viewing the Volume 3 Issue 1 Special Edition of the Journal of Sports Medicine and Allied Health Sciences; The Official Journal of the Ohio Athletic Trainers Association. I hope that everyone continues to find this as an additional tool to utilize in enhancing your evidence based practice. We have recently concluded the 2017 OATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium. During this year's meeting we accepted 20 undergraduate free communications and 9 professional free communications for presentation on Friday and Saturday. I would like to recognize Kerri Grothaus and Eddie Dobrowolski as our undergraduate free communications student award winners for original research and case study reports. Additionally, Patricia Estock and Adam Lake were selected as our professional free communications awards winners for original research and case study reports. This year we introduced Critically Acclaimed Topics and were able to display three. It is our continued goal to increase the exposure and value of free communications at the Annual Meeting and Symposium. It is our ongoing goal to strive for development and growth of our members.

Sincerely,

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